said first central axis is separated from said second central axis by an angle of approximately 180 degrees in order for said first ditch portion and said second ditch portion to be arranged so that when said ring is put on any finger of a hand of a wearer of said ring except a thumb and a little finger thereof in such a manner that said outer surface of said first stone is on a back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, said outer surface of said second stone is on a palm side of said hand of said wearer of said ring and not seen from said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, and that when said ring is put on said any finger of said hand of said wearer of said ring except said thumb and said little finger thereof in such a manner that said outer surface of said second stone is on said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, said outer surface of said first stone is on said palm side and not seen from said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring.

8. (Amended) The ring according to claim 7, further comprising:

a first central axis which connects a center of a bottom surface of said first ditch portion and a center of curvature of both and outer surface of said ring and an inner surface of said ring;

a second central axis which connects a center of a bottom surface of said plurality of second ditch portions and said center of curvature of both said outer and inner surfaces of said ring, wherein said first central axis is separated from said second central axis by an angle of approximately 180 degrees in order for said first ditch portion and said plurality of second ditch portions to be arranged so that when said ring is put on any finger of a hand of a wearer of said ring except a thumb and a little finger thereof in such a manner that said outer surface of said stone is on a back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, said initials are on a palm side and not seen from said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, and that when said ring is put on any of finger of a hand of a wearer of said ring except said thumb and said little

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finger thereof in such a manner that said initials are on said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring, said outer surface of said stone is on said palm side and not seen from said back of said hand of said wearer of said ring.

Please add new claims 16-19, as follows:

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- --16. (New) The ring according to claim 1, wherein a stone fitted into said first ditch portion is only said first stone.
- 17. (New) The ring according to claim 16, wherein a stone fitted into said second ditch portion is only said second stone.
- 18. (New) The ring according to claim 7, wherein said stone is one and only gem fitted into said first ditch portion.
- 19. (New) The ring according to claim 13, wherein a stone fitted into said first ditch portion is only said first stone and a stone fitted into said second ditch portion is only said second stone.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the accompanying discussion below, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-19 are pending in this application, dependent claims 2 and 8 having been amended by the present Amendment, new claims 16-19 have been added, by the present Amendment, and reconsideration of the rejections of independent claims 1, 7, and 13 is currently being requested, by the present Request for Reconsideration.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 2 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite in Paragraph No. 4, but in Paragraph No. 8, it was stated that the rejection of claims 2 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, made in the Office Action mailed on April 2, 2002, was withdrawn in response to